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Observer status for the University for Peace in the General Assembly

Report of the Sixth Committee

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I. Introduction

1. The item entitled "Observer status for the University for Peace in the General Assembly" was included in the agenda of the sixty-third session of the General Assembly at the request of Costa Rica.

2. At its 2nd plenary meeting, on 19 September 2008, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include the item in its agenda and to allocate it to the Sixth Committee.

3. The Sixth Committee considered the item at its 11th and 25th meetings, on 21 October and 5 November 2008. The views of the representatives who spoke during the Committee's consideration of the item are reflected in the relevant summary records (A/C.6/63/SR.11 and 25).

4. For its consideration of the item, the Committee had before it a letter dated 11 September 2008 from the Permanent Representative of Costa Rica to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/63/231).

II. Consideration of draft resolution A/C.6/63/L.2

5. At the 11th meeting, on 21 October, the representative of Costa Rica, on behalf of Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Italy, Nicaragua, Peru, the Philippines, Saint Lucia, Turkey and Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of), subsequently joined by Croatia, Cuba, Egypt, El Salvador, Guatemala, Jordan, Mexico, Montenegro, Pakistan, Paraguay, the Russian Federation, Slovenia, Spain and the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, introduced a draft resolution entitled "Observer status for the University for Peace in the General Assembly" (A/C.6/63/L.2).

6. At its 25th meeting, on 5 November, the Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.6/63/L.2 without a vote (see para. 7).

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III. Recommendation of the Sixth Committee

7. The Sixth Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

Observer status for the University for Peace in the General Assembly

The General Assembly,

Wishing to promote cooperation between the United Nations and the University for Peace,

1. *Decides* to invite the University for Peace to participate in the sessions and the work of the General Assembly in the capacity of observer;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to take the necessary action to implement the present resolution.